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Title:

CONTINUOUS-FLOW METHOD FOR PREPARING

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The prior application is assigned of record to Zycos Inc., a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on October 9, 2001 at 012241/0019.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Enclosures:

- Information Disclosure Statement, 1 page.
- Form PTO-1449, 2 pages, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- Preliminary Amendment, 3 pages.
- Request Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) to Transfer Computer Readable Form, 1 page.

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- Verified Statement and paper copy of Sequence Listing filed in parent application, 20 pages.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/715,708, filed November 17, 2000, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/166,5156, filed November 19, 1999. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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This application is entitled to small entity status. Under 37 CFR §1.53(f), NO FILING FEE IS BEING PAID AT THIS TIME.

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